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Mr. Todd,

Please accept this correspondence as written public comment regarding Docket No. 1506-DDP-09 AT&T Mobility Development Plan. I am pleased AT&T Mobility has committed to flying a United States flag on the stealth pole to be constructed as part of this project. However, after reviewing the proposed commitment I wanted to bring up two points for discussion.

First, the proposed commitment does not reference the size of the United States flag to be displayed. As you may recall, the Board of Zoning Appeals approved a variance request to allow Verizon Wireless to construct a similar stealth pole design on August 12, 2014, under Docket No. 1408-VU-02. One of the conditions of the approval was "That a U.S. flag, proportionally sized in relation to the height and size of the stealth flag pole, always be raised on the stealth flag pole, unless otherwise dictated by federal, state, or local law or edict and maintained accordingly." I recommend the Advisory Plan Commission request the commitment from AT&T Mobility contain similar language to maintain consistency.

Second, the proposed commitment states "The flag shall be maintained in good condition or replaced as needed by AT&T." Who will be responsible for monitoring the condition of the flag? Also, in addition to maintenance of the flag, I think it is important to discuss who will be responsible to lower and raise the flag as required.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns,

Sincerely,

Jim Grose

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1506-DDP-09 AT&T Mobility Development Plan - comment

To whom it may concern:

As a resident of The Village Farms neighborhood near 146th and Oak Ridge, I would like to submit public comment regarding the recent commitment of AT&T Mobility to adding the US flag to the proposed design for the wireless tower.

I am pleased that AT&T has offered this change and feel that it will provide a better fit for the area, given the sports fields at OLMC church and school. My family recently visited Kirkwood, Missouri (suburb of St. Louis) and their community has adopted the stealth pole with flag design as the norm for wireless facilities along a busy 4-lane road. While nothing could take the appearance of a thick, tall pole away completely, the flags were festive, patriotic and accented the businesses in the area.

In order to preserve the proper appearance, I would like to see AT&T commit in writing to adhering to US flag standards as published by the federal government. The 2007 publication "Our Flag" outlines these guidelines and is available here: http://publications.usa.gov/USAPubs.php?PubID=1242

Specifically, a 125' pole would call for a 20 x 30 foot flag. A commitment to this size is important to the overall aesthetics of the tower, and agreeing to the federal standard eliminates any misinterpretation of the meaning of "proportionate size".

Additional commitment to the maintenance of the flag over time is important as well. I understand that a Verizon tower approved by the BZA last year had language requiring maintenance.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of my comments.

Sincerely, Dan Traub

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